

**Problem:** To estimate the importance of (a) Iranian oil production and (b) total Middle East oil production to the viability of Western Europe in time of peace.

**Assumption:** (1) That <sup>access to</sup> ~~control of~~ (a) Iranian oil production and (b) total Middle East oil production ~~are~~ suddenly lost to the Western Powers by means other than war.

(2) That <sup>the</sup> ~~this~~ production <sup>consumption</sup> ~~assumption~~ and price of oil remain at the levels of late 1950.

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